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BRAKING- AND DAMPING DEVICE, IN PARTICULAR FOR MOVABLE PIECES OF FURNITURE

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GROUP 3600 ELECTION OF SPECIES

Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Applicants in the above-referenced U.S. patent application hereby elect the species 2 corresponding to Figs. 7 and 9. Claims 1, 11, 12, 13, 19, 20 and 21 read upon this species. Election is made with traverse.

Traverse is based simply on the identification of figures corresponding to the respective species. That is, Fig. 6 corresponds properly to species 3, and not species 2. It is respectfully submitted that this is clear from the specification on page 5. Note the discussion of the embodiment of Figs. 6, 8 and 10 including compression spring 31.

Respectfully submitted,

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